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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM P. CLARK Deputy Secretary of State

THE HONORABLE FRANK C. CARLUCCI Deputy Secretary of Defense

THE HONORABLE BOBBY R. INMAN
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Military Equipment for Somalia (S)

In the near future the NSC will consider the issue of how to respond to Somalia air defense equipment needs. In order to identify the issues prior to the meeting, I suggest that we meet at 2:00 p.m. on September 16 in the White House

Situation Room.

In this meeting we should focus on the nature of the threat to Somalia's security, the options available for responding to this threat in an expeditious fashion, and agencies' positions on each option. DOD should take the lead in preparing a list of options for discussion.

Due to space limitations, I suggest that we limit this meeting to principals-plus-one. Please confirm your attendance with my office at 456-2255.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Richard V. Allen

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